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[Despatch Abstract.]

CIVIL SUPPLIES : PULSES : BENGALGRAM : REVISED ALLOTMENTS TO
MADRAS PROVINCE UNDER RABI PLAN 1946-47 : PAPERS : RECORDED.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD.

Office of the Regional Food Commissioner,
"White Lodge", Harrington Road, Chetput,

From

Sri Dewan Bahadur C.P. Karunakara Menon,
Regional Food Commissioner, Madras Region.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Food Department, Madras.

Sir, .

Letter No. 6675/46.B4-10 dated 9th September 1946.

GRAM - Allotment to Madras Province under Rabi Plan
1946-47.

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The Government of India (Department of Food) have allotted to the Madras Province an additional quota of 2,000 tons gram from Punjab States. Please contact "Grainstates" Lahore (Group Liaison Officer, Punjab States, Lahore) immediately for prices, procurement, etc., and intimate action taken.

Sd. X X X X

Sd/. for Regional Food Commissioner

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
Department of Food.

Office of the Regional Food Commissioner,
"White Lodge", Harrington Road, Chetput.

From

The Regional Food Commissioner, Madras Region.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Food Department, Madras.

Letter No. 6675/46.B4-8 dated 19th August 1946.

Sir,

GRAM - Gram to Madras under Rabi Plan 1946-47 -
Allotment - Telegram No. BP.207(62) dated 15th
August 1946 from the Government of India, Department of Food, New Delhi.

The Government of India, Department of Food have allotted 3,500 tons of gram to Madras from Patiala. Please contact "Grainstates" Lahore (Group Liaison Officer, Punjab States, Lahore) immediately for price, procurement etc., and arrange for early movement. Action taken may please be intimated to me.

Sd . for Regional Food Commissioner.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
Department of Food.

Office of the Regional Food Commission,
"White Lodge", Harrington Road, Chetput,
Kilpauk P.O., Madras.

From

Sri Dewan Bahadur C P. Karunakara Menon,
Regional Food Commissioner, Madras Region.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Food Department, Madras.

No. 6675/46-B4.17 dated the 2nd November 1946.

Sir,

GRAM - Additional allotment of gram to Madras from Jind -
Communicated.

The Government of India, Department of Food have allotted to the Madras Government an additional quota of 1,000 tons of gram from Jind. Please contact "Grainstates" (Group Liaison Officer, Punjab States), Lahore, and arrange for immediate procurement and movement. Action taken may please be intimated to me.

In this connection I invite reference to the Board's reference No. L.Dis. D.II-2931/46 (CS) dated the 28th October 1946: The total quota of Bengal gram allotted to Madras Government to-date under the current Rabi Plan is 54,265 tons.

Sd/- X X X X X

~~Sd/-~~ for Regional Food Commissioner.

Copy to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Madras.

Post copy of Important Telegram dated the 23rd October 1946 from the Director-General, Food, Delhi, to the Secretary, Food Department, Government of Madras, Fort St. George, Madras.

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CEREALS
MADRAS

733/DGF/46(.) MADRAS HAVE BEEN ALOTTED CONSIDERABLE QUANTITIES OF GRAM FROM PATIALA STATE SINCE WE UNDERSTOOD THEY WERE IN URGENT NEED (.) ONE ALLOTMENT WAS MADE IN MAY ONE IN AUGUST AND ONE IN OCTOBER (.) FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS TOOK THREE MONTHS IN ONE CASE AND TWO IN ANOTHER (.) MUST REQUEST IMMEDIATE ATTENTION TO THIS AS FURTHER PROCUREMENT IS BEING HELD UP (.) GRATEFUL FOR VERY EARLY REPLY.

FOODDEPT

BOARD OF REVENUE (CIVIL SUPPLIES)

Subject.

PULSES - Bengalgram - Procurement in Patiala.

Ref: No.4282-D.II/46.12.CS. Madras, the 7th November 1946.

From

A.R.C. Westlake, Esq., C.I.E., I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Civil Supplies.

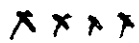
I. Rhys Jones, Esq., I.C.S.,
Joint Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies.

Read: Government Memorandum No. 24919-1D Food dated 25th October 1946.

In his letter 6675/46.B3-4 dated 29th May 1946, the Regional Food Commissioner, Madras, intimated that the Government of India have allotted 365 tons of Bengalgram flour from Patiala. In Board's telegram D.4261-1 dated 6th June 1946, the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur, was asked to wire particulars regarding price and procurement. The Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur, was again requested to contact the Director, Civil Supplies, Patiala, immediately and send particulars of price etc., urgently in Board's telegram D.II.4262/46.2 dated the 27th June 1946. Despatch instructions were issued on 11th July 1946. On 15th July 1946, the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur, was reminded in the matter by wire. In his letter Roc. 45/46 dated 31st July 1946, the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur, reported that gram flour was ready for despatch and intimated the price to be Rs. 11-0-9 per md. f.o.r. despatch station. On 13th August 1946, the Patiala Government was requested by wire to state whether payment by Hindi system would not be acceptable. Messrs. Ghuarmal & Co were appointed inspection agents at Re.0-0-9 per md. on 31st August 1946. After all these arrangements had been made the Assistant Marketing Officer Lahore telegraphed on 14th September 1946 that the Patiala Government were unable to supply gram flour but that they were willing to supply gramdhall in its place. This was agreed to in Board's telegram dated 15th September 1946. In the meanwhile, Rs. 10,9800 were remitted in Board's reference No. 622-Accts.III/46 dated 3rd September 1946 towards the cost of 365 tons of gram products allotted.

The consignment has not moved as yet. The Group Liason Officer, Lahore, and the Director of Civil Supplies, Patiala, are being addressed by wire in the matter.

2. Regarding the 3,500 tons of gram from Patiala allotted in Government Memorandum No. 122240-1D Food dated the 23rd August 1946, the Assistant Marketing Officer, Lahore, was asked to contact the Director of Civil Supplies immediately in Board's telegram 4262-D.II/46.5 dated 31st August 1946 and Messrs. Chuharmal & Co., were also appointed inspecting agents in Board's telegram 4262-D.II/46.4 dated 31st August 1946. Part remittance of Rs. 6 lakhs to the Patiala Government was made on 19th September 1946 and balance of Rs. 2,38,525 was also remitted on 15th October 1946. Despatch instructions for 2000 tons were issued in Board's telegram dated 17th September 1946 and for the balance in the Board's telegram dated 27th September 1946. Detailed despatch instructions have been issued to the Director of Civil Supplies, Patiala, by the Assistant Marketing Officer, Lahore, in his letter C.18/46 dated 25th October 1946 and it may be expected that the quantity may be moving shortly.

Sd/. 
for Joint Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Food Department, Madras.

My dear Subba Rao,

Sub: PULSES - Bengalgram and flour - Procurement from
Patiala - Remittance of money, etc.

Originally 365 tons of Bengalgram was allotted from Patiala to this Province under the 1946-47 Rabi Plan in the Government of India's Express Letter of 29th May 1946. On the 11th July 1946 the Director of Civil Supplies, Patiala, was asked to despatch the entire 365 tons to Madras City. The value of the 365 tons was remitted on the 13th August 1946. In Government, Food Department Memorandum No. 12220-1.D Food dated the 23rd August 1946 the Commissioner of Civil Supplies was informed that an additional 3,500 tons was sent to Patiala on the 19th September 1946. A further Rs. 238,525 was remitted to Patiala on the 15th October 1946 for the balance of the 3,500 tons. A distribution for the first 2,000 tons out of these 3,500 tons was sent to Patiala on the 17th September 1946. Despatch instructions for a further 1,500 tons was sent on the 27th September 1946. The Regional Food Commissioner allotted an additional 5,000 tons from Patiala in his letter No. 6675/46.B4-16 dated the 28th October 1946. The Board issued distribution for this 5,000 tons on the 16th November 1946 and sent money for the first 2,000 tons of this 5,000 tons to Patiala on 13th November 1947. Although thus so far money has been sent to Patiala for a total of 5,865 tons and distribution has been sent to Patiala for 8,865 tons, nevertheless, no gram has so far been received in this Province against any of the three quotas. Under these circumstances, it is not fair for the Patiala Administration or the Regional Food Commissioner, North Western Region, to complain of the dilatoriness of Madras. The delay, if any, appears to be on the side of the Patiala Administration.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/. I. Rhys Jones.

To

Rao Bahadur Sri P.V. Subba Rao, M.A.,
Secretary to the Government,
Food Department,
Fort St. George, MADRAS.

*1 of gram had been allotted from Patiala to Madras.
Rs. 6 lakhs, being cost of 2000 tons out of these
3500 tons.*

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Food Department.

Memorandum No. 24914-2-D. Food dated the 3rd December 1946.

Sub: PULSES - Bengalgram - Procurement from Patiala - Delay.
Ref: From the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies), Madras, No.
4282/D.II-46-12.C.S. dated 7th November 1946.

From the Joint Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil
Supplies, D.O. No.4262-D.II-46/C.S. dated the
27th November 1946.

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It is observed from the D.O. letter cited above that a total of 8,865 tons of Bengalgram has been allotted to this Province from Patiala and though the cost of 5,865 tons is stated to have been remitted already no gram has so far been received in this Province. The Assistant Marketing Officer, Lahore, is evidently not sufficiently active. The Board is requested to take immediate steps and see that the entire quota is moved to this Province quickly and avoid complaints both from the State and the Government of India of slow despatches.

P.V. SUBBA ROW
Secretary to Government

To the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies), Madras.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Food Department

Memorandum No. 32483-1-C Food dated the 24th December 1946.

Sub: PULSES - Bengalgram - Bhopal balance - Procurement through trade - Selection of merchants.

Ref: From the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies), Madras, No. 1382-D.II 46-20-CS dated the 18th December 1946,

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It is observed from the letter of the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies), Madras, quoted above, that some private merchants have been asked to procure the balance quota of Bengalgram from Bhopal State. The Board is requested to state the circumstances that led to the selection of merchants for the purpose instead of procuring it on Government account.

N. ADISESHAN
Assistant Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies), Madras.

BOARD OF REVENUE (CIVIL SUPPLIES) 12

Subject

PULSES - Gram - Bhopal - Procurement through Trade.

Ref: No. 1382-D.II/46.23.C.S.

Dated, the 15th January 1947.

From

C.H. Masterman, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Civil Supplies.

I. Rhys Jones, Esq., I.C.S.,
Joint Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies.

- Ref: 1. Government Memorandum 32483-1-C Food dated 24-12-1946
2. Board's letter No.1382-D.II/46-16 dated 18-10-1946 to
the Regional Food Commissioner, Madras.
3. Board's letter No.1382-D.II/46.18 dated 29-10-1946.

With reference to Government Memorandum read above, the Board submits that there had been some difficulty in procuring gram from this source and the Regional Food Commissioner, Madras, was requested ~~to~~ in Board's letter 1382-D.II/46.11 C.S. dated 29-7-1946 (copy enclosed) to allow Madras Government to procure the balance quota through the trade. This allotment from Bhopal was made under the Rabi Plan 1945-46 and the stocks offered have been found to be below Fair Average quality. Hence it was thought undesirable to procure the gram on Government account. In this connection the attention of the Government is invited to the copy of Board's letter No. 1382-D.II/46.16 dated 18-10-1946 to the Regional Food Commissioner, Madras. The Collector of Madras was therefore requested to select merchants for procuring this small quota and the merchants selected by him were recommended to the state authorities for issuing permits for the export.

Sd/- X X X X

Sd/- for Joint Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Food Department, Madras.

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No. 256
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD.
Karachi, dated the 24th April 1947.

The Director of Civil Supplies, Madras.
The Dewan, Cochin, Ernakulam.
The Dewan, Mysore, Mysore.

Sub: DESPATCHES OF GRAM EX.SIND UNDER THE RABI PLAN FOR GRAM 1946-47.

I forward herewith a copy of telegram from PRICES Karachi to FOODDEPT New Delhi dated 11th April 1947 from which it will be seen that the Sind Government has cancelled all outstanding balances. The finalised position is as follows:

Receipt area	Total allotment.	Permits issued for	To be cancelled.
MADRAS.	12880 tons	11150 tons	1730 tons.
Cochin	500 "	400 "	100 "
Mysore	14000 "	13391 "	609 "

In view of the above further despatches ex-SIND cannot be expected.

This disposes of Dewan Cochin telegram dated 2nd April addressed to Prices and repeated to this Office.

Sd/. for Dy.Regional Food
Commissioner (Sind & Baluchistan).

Copy to -

The Regional Food Commissioner, N.W.Region, Lahore.
The Asst.Secretary to the Govt. of India, Deptt. of Food, New Delhi.
The Regional Food Commissioner, Madras.
The Director of Civil Supplies, Sind, Karachi.

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FOOD DEPARTMENT.

Endorsement No.26484/57.1.C Food dated the 7th May 1947.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies).

P.V. SUBBA ROW
Secretary to Government.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD.

Office of the Regional Food Commissioner,
"Beverley", 49, Harrington Rd, Cheput, Madras.10.

From

The Regional Food Commissioner, Madras Region.

To

The Secretary to Government, Food Department, Madras.

Sir,

Letter No.8213/47.B1-1 dated the 3rd May 1947.

PULSES - Diversion of 1000 tons gram to Hyderabad in exchange for 1000 tons Urd for Madras - Letter No. 47820-D.II/47. dated 15th April 1947 from the Joint Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Madras.

The Government of India have no objection to the exchange of 1,000 tons gram out of the Madras quota from Sind, for 1,000 tons Urd from Hyderabad. The 1,000 tons gram given to Hyderabad from Sind will be debited against the outstanding gram quota to Madras from Sind under Rabi Plan 1946-47. The Hyderabad Government have been informed that they may despatch 1,000 tons Urd to Madras. The Director of Civil Supplies, Karachi, has also been informed of the exchange.

Sd/-

for Regional Food Commissioner.

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FOOD DEPARTMENT.

Endorsement No.26634/47.1.C Food dated the 7th May 1947.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies), Madras.

P.V. SUBBA ROW
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies).

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Food Department.

Memorandum No. 31737/47.1.C Food dated the 5th June 1947.
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Sub: PULSES - Bengalgram Quotas from Sind - Rabi Plan 1946-47
Ref: Endorsement No. 26488/47.1.C Food dated the 7th May 1947.
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The attention of the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies), Madras, is invited to the letter of the Regional Food Commissioner, Sind and Baluchistan Region, Karachi, No. 256 dated the 24th April 1947 communicated in this Department's endorsement No. 26484/47.1C Food dated the 7th May 1947 and it is requested to state urgently whether the balance quota of 1730 tons of Bengalgram from Sind under the Rabi Plan for 1946-47 is expected to be received.

N. ADISESHAN.
Assistant Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies), Madras.

BOARD OF REVENUE (CIVIL SUPPLIES)

Sub: PULSES - Bengalgram and its products from Sind - 12880 tons - 1946-47 -
Procurement of quotas - Report - Submitted.

Board's Ref: No. 47830-D.II/47 dated 13th June 1947.

From

C.H. Masterman, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Civil Supplies.

I. Rhys Jones, Esq., I.C.S.,
Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies,
Chennai, Madras.

READ: 1. Board's Ref: No. 47830-D.II/47 dated the 15th April 1947
2. Board's Ref: No. 67879-D.II/47 dated the 5th May 1947
3. Government Memorandum No. 31737-47/1.C Food dated the
5th June 1947.

The attention of the Government is solicited to both of the Board's reference cited, according to which a total quantity of 2,500 tons of Bengalgram from Sind to Madras was proposed to be given to Hyderabad State in exchange for an equal quantity of URID from Hyderabad to Madras. Messrs. Volkart Bros., Karachi, were taking whatever quantities were offered by the Sind Government from time to time and despatching them to Madras. On 14th May 1947 they reported that they had taken delivery of about 11,380 tons against the total quota of 12,880 tons. and had actually despatched 11,140 tons to Madras. Accordingly, there was a balance of 1740 tons to be despatched to Madras out of which 240 tons were taken over by them. Messrs. Volkart Brothers, Karachi, and the Director of Civil Supplies, Sind, were therefore requested by a telegram dated 28th May 1947 to set apart 1500 tons under 1946-47 plan and 1000 tons under 1947-47 plan for diversion to Hyderabad in lieu of the Urid quota to be supplied by them.

The Hyderabad State was asked to contact the Director of Civil Supplies, Sind, and make speedy arrangements with him for the procurement and movement of the diverted quotas and in turn to issue export permits for the transport of 2500 tons of Urid from Hyderabad to Madras. The Assistant Marketing Officer, Madras Government at Hyderabad, was also instructed to expedite the movement of the quota of URID after obtaining the export permits from the State. He has since reported that the State has so far issued export permits to the extent of 817 tons, that permits for the balance are expected to be issued shortly and that he is making arrangements for the immediate despatch of the stuff.

Meanwhile, the Sind Government wired on 31st May 1947 (copy enclosed) that due to the delay in the receipt of procurement and despatch instruction from Hyderabad the balance quota of 1664 tons due to Madras under the 1946-47 plan has lapsed and that 1500 tons cannot be supplied to Hyderabad. They have however agreed to allow 1000 tons of Hyderabad under the 1947-48 plan, thereby reducing the quota to Madras from 10,000 to 9,000 tons. The Director of Civil Supplies, Sind, was then informed that the Madras Government are not responsible for the delay in procurement and movement of diverted quotas by Hyderabad, who were repeatedly urged to take steps in this regard & that if Hyderabad State did not make arrangements to move the quotas in time, Madras, would import the balance of the quotas in time view of the present scarcity of pulses in the Province. He was accordingly requested in Board's telegram No. 47830-D.II/47 dated the 7th June 1947 to allow movement of the balance quota to Madras without leaving it to lapse.

The balance of 1664 tons reported by Sind Government as lapsed, cannot obviously be correct, because Messrs. Volkart Bros., Karachi, have shipped per S.S. "Jalamani" on 29th May 1947, 7570 bags Sind gram dhall and 3983 bags Sind gram flour (11553 bags). Besides the above quantity Board has instructions that about 700 tons of Sind gram products have been shipped to Cochin per S.S. Feroza (Ex. Scringe) which was due to sail from Karachi on the 8th instant. Adding these to the quantity of 11,140 tons reported by Messrs. Volkart Brothers as having despatched already, it would appear that the Madras quota is well-nigh completed. It has to be mentioned in this connection, that the Board has calculated

the imports $\approx$ 10 bags-a-ton basis and lest there should be some difference in the quantities actually exported Messrs. Volkart Brothers, Karachi, have been asked to submit a detailed statement showing - - - the actual weight of the quantities despatched in each of the ships previously received. The Board submits that if the Hyderabad State ultimately agree to take the quota of Bengalgram and give URID instead, an equal equal quantity of gram will be made available to Hyderabad, from the quotas due to Madras from Sind under the 1947-48 plan. But the sanction of India to this arrangement would appear necessary if the quantity agreed to exceeds the 1000 tons to which India appear to have limited the barter.

Sd. C.D. Jandirani

for Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government. Food Department, Fort St. George, Madras.
Copy to the Regional Food Commissioner, Madras.

P. SESHADRI SARMA, B.SC.,(Ag)
Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur.

21/ (Camp.) Hyderabad- Deccan.
Dated, the 24th June 1947.

Dear Sir,

The Hyderabad Government had agreed to supply 2,500 tons of Urid to Madras in exchange for an equal quantity of Madras quota of Sindh gram and arrangements were made for the issue of export permits for the entire quantity of 2,500 tons. But it is learnt that the Sindh Government have supplied only 1,000 tons to Hyderabad and are not supplying the second instalment of 1,500 tons as Madras quota is cancelled. The Hyderabad Government have, therefore, issued instructions to the Corporation that permits are to be issued only for 1,000 tons. I met Mr. Riziuddin today and discussed with him this point. He said that he has no objection to allow despatches of the second quota of 1,500 tons of urid if you assure him that you would supply Hyderabad 1,500 tons of gram from some other source, if no supplies are forthcoming from Sindh. It is, therefore, requested that you may kindly write a D.O. to Mr. Riziuddin to this effect so that the entire quantity of 2,500 tons might be lifted as quickly as possible. Rains have failed in Hyderabad and the food situation is getting worse day-by-day. It is, therefore, very important that all the quotas from Hyderabad should be lifted as quickly as possible. Immediate action is therefore requested in the matter.

With respectful regards.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/. x x x x x

To Rao Bahadur P.V. Subba Row,
Secretary to Government of Madras, Food Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.

Copy submitted to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies for
favour of information.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD.

Office of the Regional Food Commissioner,
"Beverley"; 49, Harrington Road, Cheput, Madras.10

From

The Regional Food Commissioner, Madras Region.

To

The Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Madras.

Letter No. 22523-46.B4.5 dated the 26th June 1947.

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PULSES - Supply of gram ex.Sind in exchange for Urd from
Hyderabad - Your No. 47830-D.II/47 dated 13th June 1947
to Secretary to the Government, Food Department, Madras,
copy endorsed to me.

The Government of India (Department of Food) have since
agreed that 2,500 tons of gram should be supplied to Hyderabad out of
Madras' gram quota ex.Sind under the current Rabi Plan and that
Hyderabad should give to Madras an equal quantity of Urd. I request
that early action may be taken in the matter under advice to me.

Sd/.

for Regional Food Commissioner.

To the Secretary to Government, Food Department, Madras.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Food Department.

Memorandum No.. 33914/47.1.C Food dated the 7th July 1947.

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Sub: PULSES-- Bengalgram - Supply of gram - Ex.Sind in exchange for Urd from Hyderabad - Not to proceed with the exchange - Orders issued.

Ref: From the Regional Food Commissioner, Madras, No. 22523/46.B4-5 dated the 26th June 1947.

A copy of the note on the Bengalgram position issued by the Government of India at the Food Conference held at Delhi in June 1947 is communicated to the Board of Revenue. In view of the proposed reduction of Bengalgram quota for Rabi Plan 1947-48 to 17,000 tons (10,000 tons from Sind and 7,000 tons from Rajaputana) as stated therein, the Government consider it undesirable to give effect to the proposal to give 1,500 tons of gram to Hyderabad in exchange for blackgram. The Board is, therefore, requested to cancel any arrangements already made in this regard.

N. ADISESHAN
Assistant Secretary to Government

To the Board of Revenue, Madras.
Copy to the Regional Food Commissioner, Madras.

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OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE (CIVIL SUPPLIES), CHEPAUK, MADRAS.
C.H. Masterman, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S
Commissioner of Civil Supplies.

Board's Ref: 14037-D1/47.C.S. dated the 23rd July 1947.

Sub: PULSES - Urid - Exchange quota of 1,500 tons - Supply of -
Information.

Ref: 1. Board's Ref: No. D1-14037/47 dated the 4th July 1947 and
2. From the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur, Roc. 27.
Hyderabad 947.9 dated the 12th July 1947.

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In continuation of Board's reference first read above, the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur, is informed that in view of the reduction of gram quotas to Madras to half by Government of India under current Rabi Plan, Madras will not be able to supply to Hyderabad the additional quantity of 1,500 tons of gram already agreed to. The Commissioner of Civil Supplies does not, therefore, propose to press for the supply of 1,500 tons of Urid on exchange basis. The Regional Food Commissioner, Madras, is being requested to arrange if possible for an independent quota of 1,500 tons of Urid from Hyderabad.

I. RHYS JONES
Joint Secretary.

To the Assistant Marketing Officer, Madras Government, "Surana Chambers",
Sadar, Nagpur.

Copy to the Regional Food Commissioner, Madras.

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Food Department, Madras.

FOOD DEPARTMENT.

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(On discussion with A.M.O., Nagpur). .

BENGALGRAM - 1945-46: Note: Gwalior balance 600 tons doubtful?
Bhopal balance: Merchants have been asked to procure - Why?
RABI PLAN - 1946-47: Bikaner - 5,000 tons - fixation of price - Orders to be communicated accepting quotations.
BLACKGRAM FROM C.P.: Stock ready with C.P. Government. Will move as wagons become available.
REDGRAM FROM CENTRAL INDIA STATES: Major portion doubtful. A small quantity may move.

P.V.S/

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BENGAL GRAM - 1945-46 ; Gwalior balance: With ref. to the notes of Secretary's discussion extracted above, it will be seen from the weekly return sent by the Board for the week ending 14-11-1946 that a balance of 600 tons of gram is due from Gwalior. The Board has stated in its explanatory note that the prices of old Gwalior gram were accepted and despatch instructions issued, and that the question of appointing agents for inspection is under consideration. As the Gwalior balance of 600 tons is stated to be doubtful it is for consideration whether the Board may be asked to take early steps to see that the balance is purchased. For orders.

Yes. Bhopal balance: Attention is solicited to the Explanatory note of the Board at "C" on p. 88 of L.F. No. III. It is not known why the Board has selected merchants for procuring the Bhopal balance. quota of 763 tons. The Board may perhaps be asked for the reasons for selecting merchants. For orders.
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RABI PLAN - 1946-47 - Bikaner balance: The Board has already fixed prices and orders accepting the rates quoted by the C.P. Agencies have been communicated to the A.M.O., Nagpur, vide p. 92 c.f. of L.F. No. II. No further action in this respect appears necessary.

PULSES - RABI PLAN 1946-47 - Blackgram from C.P.: Please see portion "M" on p. 1 ante. A balance of 10,531 tons is still to be received from C.P., as per the weekly statement of arrivals for week ending 28-11-1946. The Board may be informed that the Government understand that stocks are ready with the C.P. Government and that they will move as wagons become available. For orders. . .

Redgram from Central India States: A quota of 1920 tons of redgram has been allotted to this Province from Central India States. The Board in its explanatory note "K" at p. 105 c.f. of L.F. No. III states that the effective quota is only 277 tons and that funds have been provided for the entire quantity and that the A.M.O. has been asked to expedite despatches. No action is necessary.

With ref. to A.S.'s orders at "A" on p. 1 ante, it is submitted that even according to the return for the week ending 28-11-1946 a balance of 600 tons of Bengalgram is due from Gwalior State. Attention is invited to the Board's explanatory note "A" on p. 106 l.f. No. III.

For orders.

N.A/14.12.46

P.V.S./16.12.46
Secretary

According to the orders passed at pp 2-3 above action is necessary only in respect of procurement of Bhopal balance of Bengal gram. A draft O.M. to the Board asking as to why merchants have
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have been selected for procurement of Bhopal balance is submitted below for approval. After issue, these papers may be filed with the Bengalgram file linked below, with ref. to Secretary's orders at "M" on p. 2 above. .

xx/24.12.46

Please see the letter from the A.M.O., Nagpur on p. 110 c.f. and the orders thereon on p. 111 c.f., The Board has since taken action on the letter of the A.M.O., Nagpur, by addressing the Regional Food Commissioner, Madras Region, Madras, for arranging the procurement of gram from Bikaner. Hence no action now appears necessary. The R.F.C.s reply to the Board's ref. on p. 142 c.f. may be watched.

xx/14.1.47

With ref. to the orders at "M" on p. 3 ante, the Board was asked as to why it selected merchants for procuring the Bhopal balance of Bengalgram and its reply at on pp 164-165 c.f. may be perused.

2. The Board states that as the allotment from Bhopal State was made under the Rabi Plan 1945-46 and as the stocks offered were found to be below fair average quality, it left the stock to be procured by private merchants instead of procuring it on Government Account. No further action seems necessary. May be filed.

xx/24.1.47.

The Secretary's remarks on p. 283 c.f. and the further communication from the Board on pp 284-292 may be perused. The R.F.C., Sind Region has informed by his letter d/ 24.4.47 that the Sind Govt. have cancelled the outstanding balance of 1730 tons of gram due from that Province under the Rabi Plan for 1946-47. The R.F.C., Madras, has reported on 3-5-1947 that the Govt. of India have agreed to the proposal to the exchange of 1,000 tons of gram out of the Madras quota from Sind for 1,000 tons of Blackgram from Hyderabad. Sind Govt. have also been informed of this fact. In the Rabi Plan report for 1947-48 dated 15-5-1947, the Govt. of India have stated that a quantity of 1,730 tons of gram from Sind outstanding on 30-4-1947 in respect of undespached balances in the year 1946-47 has not been cancelled though it is mentioned that these figures are subject to revision on receipt of final figures from supplying areas. So far no report has been received either from India or Sind Govt. The Board of Revenue (C.S.) is aware of all these facts. It therefore appears that the outstanding balance quota of 1730 tons of gram has been arrived at after taking into account the supply of 1,000 tons of gram to Hyderabad. It is also observed from the reports at pp 294-97 c.f. since received that the quantity of gram to be supplied to Hyderabad in exchange for Urd has been set apart at Karachi. It does not therefore seem necessary to address India for the allotment of gram from other sources as ordered at "M" on p. 283 c.f. We have also separately addressed India for allotment of additional -4 quota of 49,000 tons of gram to make up partly the reduction in the cereal ration. For orders..

. Invite the attention of the Board to the communication at p. 275 c.f. and ask whether it expects to receive the balance of 1730 tons from Sind.

xx/2.6.47

With ref. to orders at "M" on p. 11 ante, a draft O.M. is submitted below for approval.

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Board's reports at pp 306-14 c.f. and the letter from the A.M.O., Nagpur, at p. 316 c.f. may be perused. It will be seen from "A" on p. 302 c.f. that the remaining quota of 1,664 tons of gram due from Sind under the B.P. for 1946-47 has lapsed. With reference to the orders of Secy. on p. 316 c.f. a draft Memo is submitted.

Please see the letter from the R.F.C. received today where he says that the exchange of 2,500 tons of Sind gram for Urd from Hyderabad has been approved by the Govt. of India and re-examine.

xx/28.6.47

It was first proposed to supply 2,500 tons of gram during 1946-47 to Hyderabad from Sind against Madras quota in exchange for an equal quantity of blackgram to this Province. The Government of India have agreed to this proposal. But Hyderabad Government exported only 1,000 tons against the quota for 1946-47. Sind Government have reported that the remaining quota of 1,664 tons of gram due from them under B.P. for 1946-47 has lapsed and the remaining quantity of 1,500 tons of gram proposed to be supplied to Hyderabad has to be met against the quotas under the B.P. for 1947-48. Formerly the Government of India allotted to this Province 33,000 tons of gram under the B.P. for 1947-48 as against the declared deficit of 62,000 tons. But it now is now reported that the gram position has deteriorated a great deal since the current Basic Plan was issued, and that the total revised surplus now for whole-India is 116,200 tons against the original surplus of 219,050 tons. As a result of these exchanged circumstances it is proposed to allot to this Province at present only 17,000 tons of gram (10,000 tons from Sind and 7,000 tons from Rajaputana) against the original allocation of 33,000 tons. It may also be stated that the question of de-control of pulses is under active consideration of India. A decision is expected to be reached shortly. In the circumstances, it does not seem desirable to supply the remaining quantity of 1,500 tons of gram to Hyderabad in exchange for blackgram. The Board may be asked to cancel any arrangements made in this regard.

xx/4.7.47

X Yes please; quickly.

Also has a copy of p. 320 c.f. been communicated to the Board? If not better do so.

P.V S:/5.7.47
Secy.

With ref. to the Secretary's orders above, a draft O.M. is submitted for below for approval (communicating p.320 c.f. also).

xx/7.7.

This file deals with the allotment of Bengalgram to Madras Province under the Rabi Plan for 1946-47. The sources of supply, quotas allotted and the balance outstanding are as follows:

<u>Source of supply.</u>	<u>Quota allotted.</u>	<u>Balance.</u>
Eastern States.	735	241
Sind	12,880	374
Patiala	11,865	937
Jhind	5,050	166
Nabha	3,000	970
Bikaner	5,500	450
Bharatpur	1,300	414
Faridkot	2,500	55

Sind, Patiala, Nabha and Jhind: Governments have intimated that the undespached balance of the old quota will not be allowed. However as the Govt. of India have instructed supplying administrations that whatever Bengalgram stocks are available against outstanding balance under old plan quotas, may be moved to recipients

concerned in addition to the priority movement quantities under Rabi Plan for 1947-48. the Board has taken up the matter with the R.F.C., Lahore.

As regards the unexpired quotas from other regions despatches are either near completion or in progress. Please see Board's ref. at p. 344 c.f. Further reports on the Board's correspondence with the exporting administrations may be awaited.

For perusal of the notes from 'A' on p. 13. above.

XX/12.8.47

M.A.K/13.8.47
Secretary

The sources of supply of Bengalgram to Madras Province under the Rabi Plan 1946-47 the quotas allotted and the balance to be received, upto week ending 2nd October 1947 are as follows:

<u>Source of Supply.</u>	<u>Quantity allotted</u>	<u>Balance.</u>
Patiala	11865	724
Jhind	5050	782
Nabha	3000	90
Bikaner	5,500	450
Bharatpur	1300	227
Faridkot	2500	55
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Patiala: Movement of the balance from Patiala is being watched.

Jhind: The balance quota has since been cancelled by the State.

Nabha, Bikaner and Faridkot: Balances are not expected to be received. Accounts are being reconciled.

Bharatpur: The A.M.O. has intimated that the balance of the old quota will be supplied from stocks of new gram at the old rates. Further communication from the A.M.O., Nagpur, is being watched.

xx/16.X.47

The file relates to the allotments of gram to this Province under the Rabi Plan 1946-47. As the Govt. of India decided not to have any Basic Plan for pulses, this Govt. have decontrolled Bengalgram and its products in this Province. As procurement and movement of grain has consequently been stopped, no further action in this file is called for. The papers may now be closed as a Ms. G.O.

xx/7.1.48

Yes.
M.A.K./8.1.48

G.O. (Ms) No. 23 Food dated the 9th January 1948
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